

MEMORANDUM

Agenda Item No. 11(A)(12)

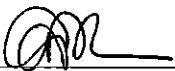
TO: Honorable Chairman Jean Monestime
and Members, Board of County Commissioners

DATE: December 15, 2015

FROM: Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney

SUBJECT: Resolution supporting Governor
Rick Scott's Enterprise Florida
reforms, including creation of the
Florida Enterprise Fund

The accompanying resolution was prepared and placed on the agenda at the request of Prime Sponsor Commissioner Rebeca Sosa.



Abigail Price-Williams
County Attorney *for*

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Please note any items checked.

- ☐ "3-Day Rule" for committees applicable if raised
- ☐ 6 weeks required between first reading and public hearing
- ☐ 4 weeks notification to municipal officials required prior to public hearing
- ☐ Decreases revenues or increases expenditures without balancing budget
- ☐ Budget required
- ☐ Statement of fiscal impact required
- ☐ Statement of social equity required
- ☒ Ordinance creating a new board requires detailed County Mayor's report for public hearing
- ☐ No committee review
- ☐ Applicable legislation requires more than a majority vote (i.e., 2/3's ____, 3/5's ____, unanimous ____) to approve
- ☐ Current information regarding funding source, index code and available balance, and available capacity (if debt is contemplated) required

Approved _____ Mayor
Veto _____
Override _____

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12-15-15

RESOLUTION NO. _____

RESOLUTION SUPPORTING GOVERNOR RICK SCOTT'S
ENTERPRISE FLORIDA REFORMS, INCLUDING CREATION
OF THE FLORIDA ENTERPRISE FUND

WHEREAS, Florida Governor Rick Scott has recently proposed creation of a \$250 million competitive fund to be used to attract companies to Florida in an effort to create a more robust economy and generate new jobs; and

WHEREAS, a \$250 million grant-incentive fund would be larger than the analogous fund programs in the State of New York and in all states neighboring Florida; and

WHEREAS, the fund, known as the "Florida Enterprise Fund," incorporates suggestions from several legislators and provides much-needed reforms to the existing Quick Action Closing Fund, one of Florida's grant-incentive programs; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Enterprise Fund would set aside \$250 million in the state treasury as a trust fund to accrue interest as legislative policymakers seek out business deals; and

WHEREAS, the Florida Enterprise Fund is also designed to streamline the approval of projects by allowing the Governor to approve any project receiving less than \$1 million in fund incentives while permitting the Senate President and the House Speaker to approve projects totaling more than \$1 million, thereby reducing the need for special legislative committee meetings; and

WHEREAS, the reforms proposed by Governor Scott would also impose investment provisions requiring a 10 percent annualized return on top of the original amount invested in a company through the Florida Enterprise Fund; and

WHEREAS, the fund has generated support from over 27 Florida mayors, county commissioners in seven counties, City of Miami Mayor Tomás Regalado, and City of Miami Commission Chairman Wilfredo Gort; and

WHEREAS, this Board is supportive of policies and reforms that attract businesses to Florida, create jobs for residents, and help Florida become the number one state in the country for business opportunities,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA, that this Board:

Section 1. Supports Governor Rick Scott's Enterprise Florida Fund reforms, including creation of the Florida Enterprise Fund.

Section 2. Directs the Clerk of the Board to transmit a certified copy of this resolution to the Governor, Senate President, House Speaker, and the Chair and Members of the Miami-Dade State Legislative Delegation.

Section 3. Directs the County's state lobbyists to advocate for the reforms set forth in Section 1, and authorizes and directs the Office of Intergovernmental Affairs to amend the 2016 State Legislative Package to include this item.

The Prime Sponsor of the foregoing resolution is Commissioner Rebeca Sosa. It was offered by Commissioner _____, who moved its adoption. The motion was seconded by Commissioner _____ and upon being put to a vote, the vote was as follows:

Jean Monestime, Chairman
Esteban L. Bovo, Jr., Vice Chairman

Bruno A. Barreiro	Daniella Levine Cava
Jose "Pepe" Diaz	Audrey M. Edmonson
Sally A. Heyman	Barbara J. Jordan
Dennis C. Moss	Rebeca Sosa
Sen. Javier D. Souto	Xavier L. Suarez
Juan C. Zapata	

The Chairperson thereupon declared the resolution duly passed and adopted this 15th day of December, 2015. This resolution shall become effective upon the earlier of (1) 10 days after the date of its adoption unless vetoed by the County Mayor, and if vetoed, shall become effective only upon an override by this Board, or (2) approval by the County Mayor of this Resolution and the filing of this approval with the Clerk of the Board.

MIAMI-DADE COUNTY, FLORIDA
BY ITS BOARD OF
COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

HARVEY RUVIN, CLERK

By: _____
Deputy Clerk

Approved by County Attorney as
to form and legal sufficiency.

Javier Zapata

